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TODAY'S MEETING: President-elect Steve Makshanoff opened today's meeting, Jennifer Frew led the Pledge of Allegiance, Phil "Tuna" Cook chose "I'd Rather Belong to Kiwanis" for the Kiwanis Choir to sing, and David Kuroda provided the inspiration. We were fortunate to have many guests with us today: From our Kiwanis family LTG Alan Quon and LTG-Designate Jackie Acosta; Chuck Bricker guest of Kay Grundhaus; Rebecca Poirier, Torrance City Clerk, guest of Milton Herring; and Cie Reynolds, Charlotte and Nick Svolos future members. Neslie Akkol shared that Conseling4Kids and New Challenge Ministries had a very successful backpack give away last weekend for over 150 deserving students. Tony Molino presented a brief history of our Club history covering how we were founded, our different committees and sponsored youth and our financial responsibilities. Tony Goorchenko circulated a sign up for the Division 19 Installation that will be held at the Stub Hub Stadium Club on September 18th. Steve Makshanoff is selling tickets for Richard Sherman's upcoming concert on September 12th. Jackie Acosta won the card raffle and Alan Quon won the 50/50 raffle. The only late member today was Dave Holper. Mark your calendars for our Club installation on October 10th at Alpine Village.

PLEASE READ THE NEWSLETTER FOR OTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS.

PROGRAM" Jackie Acosta, LTG Designate

Jackie's year as our LTG officially begins on October 1st. The theme of the year chosen by Governor Cherice Gilliam is Rockstars of Service. Jackie had a great slide show that provided very interesting information. She covered the history and structure of Kiwanis International, the different types of clubs for adults and children, our commitment to service and fundraising, our Global Initiatives, Cherice's goals and her own goals.

Interesting facts that were shared include:

- Our current Global Initiative – Project ELIMINATE is focused on eliminating Maternal Neonatal Tetanus in 3rd world countries. KI has raised 100 million dollars to date on their way to the goal of 110 million dollars. Our effort has eliminated MNT in 17 countries to date with 3 more approaching.
- Kiwanis members complete 18.5 million hours of service every year and donate over 100 million dollars.

Here are some ways you can help Jackie achieve her goals:

- ✓ Grow your membership
- ✓ Participate in the 2 division service projects
- ✓ Donate to Project ELIMINATE
- ✓ Help build 2 reading rooms in support of the First KYDS Project
- ✓ Attend InterClubs; and
- ✓ Learn about The Formula and act on it.



Jackie Acosta presents Steve Makshanoff with a Kiwanis Centennial Banner patch



LTG Alan Quon with Jennifer Frew

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM SPEAKER: Alan Quon, LTG. Alan thanked us for our service this year and for our support of his year. He has been busy helping Governor Alan Guirre build a new club in La Puente. Alan has also spent many hours in support of the Sponsored Youth in Division 19.

Thank you Jackie and Alan! Alan for a great year and Jackie for your year to come!

HAPPY & SAD DOLLARS: Neslie Akkol ☺ This is Jennifer's last meeting and not shaking David's hand. Gayle CdeBaca – ☺ Just returned from a small vacation ☺ missed a few meetings, having her back go out, sad that their fun summer is ending and both girls are now in middle school and walking there on their own. Phil Cook – 5 ☺ \$ for our guest and potential members, and the LTGs. Jennifer Frew – 7 ☺ \$ Laurie and her

award, David's kinds words and including me in the invocation, got a great deal on a new TV from Sam's and is now set for football season, Alan, Jackie and our

guests and new members, friendships she has made and the great support of this club.

Tony Gorchenko– ☺ Both LTGs in attendance. **Kay Griffith** – ☺ For all the

information learned from Jackie and Tony ☺ Jenn won't be my buddy at events. **Kay**

Grundhaus– ☺ Guests this week. **Milton Herring, Sr.** – ☺ Our visitors and the LTGs,

the Marines in France, made him proud, his kickoff event September 2nd at the China

Tea House ☺ Daily Breeze coverage of USC. **Dave Holper** – ☺ Our guests ☺ Late

dollar and Jenn leaving. **Peter Issa** – ☺ Jenn will be missed, our guests. **Curtis Jones**

Jr.– ☺ Happy to have known Jennifer, new members glad you are joining our group,

spent last week with a childhood friend attending the Beach Volleyball Tournament.

Nadine Koerner – ☺ Our guests and LTGs. **David Kuroda** – ☺ Organizations depend

on building viable membership ☺ Jennifer leaving ☺ for all the many things she has

done. **Laurie Love** – ☺ Great trip to Kauai, thank you Tony for picking up my award in

Sacramento, let's all support Milton in his run for City Council, please attend his

kickoff. **Brad Lyon** – ☺ Turnout today, the successful Special Guest Day. **Steve**

Makshanoff – ☺ Attended convention with Tony and Gladys, LTG Alan and Jackie,

Jackie's presentation, new members and guests today ☺ USC. **Tony Molino**– ☺

Guests today: **Jackie Acosta** – 5 ☺ \$ to be here, that our club is growing and a big

surprise Carson is bringing back their Saint Patrick's Day raffle, Laurie's award ☺

Dodgers are starting to tank. **Nick Svolos** - ☺ to be here. **Charlotte Svolos** - ☺ Her

successful event last weekend. **Rebecca Poirier** - ☺ To be here and learn what we

do. **LTG Alan Quon** - ☺ To be here to see Jennifer at her last meeting. **Chuck**

Bricker - ☺ Kay inviting me today, was a member of Key Club in high school.



Phil Cook actually had mixed emotions when he put in a Happy \$5



Immediate Past LTG Laurie Love was presented with the District Builders Club Award from Rae Whitby-Brummer. Congratulations Laurie

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ✓ September 12th, Richard Sherman Trio Charity Concert at Armstrong Theater.
- ✓ September 18th – Division 19 Installation Dinner at Stub Hub Center, See Tony Goorchenko to RSVP.
- ✓ October 10th – Torrance Kiwanis Installation Dinner, Alpine Village Restaurant and Oktoberfest.
- ✓ October 11th – Pediatric Therapy Network - 20th Annual Halloween Ball
- ✓ October 22nd – Options for Recovery 25th Anniversary Luncheon, Torrance Kiwanis will be honored at this luncheon

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS



NEW CHALLENGE MINISTRIES

- Diapers
- Coats
- Blankets
- Soups
- Chicken Broth
- Dry rice
- Cans of Vegetables
- Dried Mashed
- Paper towels
- Laundry soap
- Hygiene products

Please bring these items and donations on Tuesday
September 29, 2015

Please Join the

Torrance Police Officers Association

at their Annual Memorial Golf Tournament
Saturday, September 12, 2015
Pacific Palms Resort
One Industry Hills Way, City of Industry, California

Friday, September 11, 2015 Hosted Hospitality Suite

Saturday, September 12, 2015

- ✓ Check-in 9 am
- ✓ Breakfast 9-10:30 am
- ✓ Shotgun Start 11:00 am
- ✓ Banquet / Awards 5:00 pm
- ✓ Hospitality Suite to follow



Sign up today to secure your team's position in this year's Memorial Golf Tournament.

If you have any questions regarding sponsorship opportunities or to register your team, please contact Craig Shiosaki at cshiosaki@torranceca.gov or 310-325-8762. Information is also available online at www.torrancepoa.com.



Pediatric Therapy Network



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, October 11, 2015 4:00 pm-9:00 pm

**The Depot's 20th Annual Halloween Ball
benefitting Pediatric Therapy Network**

Hosted by Chef Michael Shafer

Dancing & Dining in front of the Depot Restaurant

1250 Cabrillo Ave, Torrance, under a ghostly white tent!

Event tickets are \$125 per person

**To become a sponsor, donate an auction item, purchase your event
Tickets and for the latest Halloween Ball news and updates contact:**

Allison Young at 310.328.0276 x202 / allisony@ptnmail.org

The Halloween Ball is PTN's largest fundraiser and your participation will help support therapeutic programs and services for 2,500 children with special needs and developmental concerns.



MEMBER EVENT: Campaign Kickoff & Fundraiser for Torrance Kiwanian Lt. Colonel Milton Herring (ret), Wednesday, September 2, 2015, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at the China Tea House, 3314 Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance. \$50 per person, \$95 per couple. For more information go to www.electmiltonherring.com

TOP 10 SIGNS SUMMER VACATION ALMOST OVER

10. Beeraholics and Phil Cook begin training for Oktoberfest.
9. Valium and vodka vending machines restocked in teachers' lounges nationwide.
8. The Dodgers are 2 and 8 in their last 10 starts.
7. The frost makes burying bodies in the backyard that much tougher.
6. Your four-page electric bill for air conditioning gives way to the four-page electric bill for heat.
5. The official Four Months of Christmas Buying Frenzy kicks off.
4. You can no longer fry an inmate on the sidewalk. *(Texas Department of Corrections only)*
3. Thanks to the return of longer pants, fewer thighs are sticking to vinyl seats.
2. Mosquitos fly south to Florida for the winter.
1. Christmas decorations at Target are now on clearance so they can start putting up the Valentine's Day displays.



THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

- **TO GIVE** primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than material values of life
- **TO ENCOURAGE** the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships
- **TO PROMOTE** the adoption and the application of social, business and professional standards
- **TO DEVELOP** by precept and example a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship
- **TO PROVIDE**, through KIWANIS Clubs a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities
- **TO COOPERATE** in creating and maintaining sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase in righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

Torrance Kiwanis Charities

Since 1988 several local charities and service programs have benefited from the Torrance Kiwanis Fund raising efforts. These charities are as follows:

- ♥ Aging In Place Seniors Program
- ♥ Angels for Sight
- ♥ American Cancer Society
- ♥ American Heart Association - Heart Walk LA
- ♥ Children's Miracle Network
- ♥ Counseling 4 Kids
- ♥ Disaster Relief (Tsunami & Hurricane Katrina)
- ♥ Friends of Torrance Exceptional Athletes
- ♥ Harbor UCLA Medical Center Santa's Visit
- ♥ Key Leader
- ♥ Kiwanis/Benjamin Aranda III Scholarship Fund
- ♥ Kiwanis CAL-NEV-HA Foundation
- ♥ Kiwanis International Foundation
- ♥ L.A. Dept. of Child Services, Christmas Party
- ♥ Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
- ♥ New Challenge Ministry – Food Bank
- ♥ Pediatric Therapy Network
- ♥ Red Ribbon Week
- ♥ Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing/Health Faire
- ♥ Special Olympics
- ♥ South Bay Children's Choir
- ♥ St Patrick's Day Charity 10 K Run
- ♥ Switzer Education Center
- ♥ Torrance Coordinating Council Scholarships
- ♥ Torrance Education Foundation
- ♥ Torrance Memorial Hospital Pediatric Unit
- ♥ Torrance Police Officers Association
- ♥ Torrance YMCA
- ♥ Young Children Immunization Program

KIWANIS CLUB INFORMATION



DIVISION 19 WEEKLY MEETINGS

MONDAY

Manhattan Beach- Tin Roof Bistro, Manhattan Village (2nd Monday Only)5:30 PM

TUESDAY

El Segundo- Hacienda Hotel, 525 Sepulveda Blvd. 12:10 PM

Lomita/ Harbor City- 24822 Narbonne Ave. Lomita6:30 PM

Torrance, Sizzler Restaurant 2880 Sepulveda Blvd.12: 10 PM

WEDNESDAY

Carson- Double Tree Hotel (1st & 3rd Wed. Only) 12:10 PM

Hermosa Beach- 2515 Valley Drive Hermosa Bch.12:10 PM

Lawndale-Community Center, Brown Bag Lunch.(1st & 3rd Wed.)12:10 PM

San Pedro, The Whale & Ale Restaurant.....12:10 PM

THURSDAY

Eastview- Sheraton Hotel, Palos Verdes Street, San Pedro..... 8:00 AM

Gardena Valley-Elks Lodge, 1735 W. 162 Street. Gardena 12:10 PM

LAX- Renaissance Hotel, 9620 Airport Blvd., at LAX 12:30 PM

Rolling Hills/PV- Red Onion Restaurant Rolling Hills Estates..... 12:10 PM

FRIDAY

Hawthorne- Western Credit Union, 14500 Aviation Blvd.12:10 PM

INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT OFFICERS 2014-2015

International President Dr. John Button

International President –Elect..... Susan Petrisin

CAL-NEV-HA District Governor Alan Guire

CAL-NEV-HA- District Governor Elect Cherice Gilliam

Division 19 Lt. Governor Alan Quon

Division 19 Lt. Gov. Elect..... Jackie Acosta

Region 8 Trustee..... Joni Ackerman

TORRANCE KIWANIS SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

North High Key Club..... Weekly Meeting - Fridays at Noon

South High KIWIN'SWeekly Meeting -Friday at Noon

Torrance High KIWIN'S.....Weekly Meeting -Friday at Noon

West High Key Club..... Weekly Meeting – Friday at Noon

Bishop Montgomery High Key ClubWeekly Meeting – Wednesday 11:50 AM

Richardson Middle School Builders Club. Weekly Meeting – Tuesday 3:00 PM

CLUB INFORMATION

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 Charlotte Melsh
 Laurie Love

2014-2016 TERM
 Jennifer Frew
 Curtis Jones, Jr.
 Brad Lyons

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Santa's Visit Tony Goorchenko
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